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LEGION HELD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Christmas time is upon us now and your local Legion Post joined in the festive holiday mood with a Christmas party last Sunday evening.

A pot luck supper was served to start the evening's festivities with many delicious dishes enjoyed by everyone. To the satisfaction of all, the supper had to be served in two sections because of the large number of people attending.

Immediately following the supper and to satisfy the eagerness of children attending, Comrade Pete Baker, in the guise of Saint Nick, passed out presents from the tree to all children present together with a small stocking, filled with candies and goodies for each child. The light of delight reflected in the eyes of the children brings to mind to all of us that the Christmas season is really here with all of its gaiety and children's laughter echoing throughout our peaceful New England village closing out all of the reports of "China Revolution," "War Clouds," "Communism" and all of the other evils that are going on in the world today.

The adults, too, were blessed with presents by jolly old Saint Nick, who was somewhat uncomfortable and warm in his red and white suit. All members brought small gifts to put on the tree, and these in turn were distributed at random by Santa Claus with many humorous situations resulting.

Following distribution of the gifts and the departure of Santa Claus, all who were interested were treated to sound movies presented by Edmond Vachon of Gould Academy, the film being produced by the Navy Department and procured for this presentation by Sam Smith. This film was a documentary report of life aboard a U. S. Navy submarine during its career in World War II.

And so another annual Christmas party of the American Legion has gone by with everyone looking forward to an even more successful and joyous Christmas party next year, if it is possible to have one any better than the one just passed.

PUBLICITY BUREAU MEMBERS NOMINATING 1950 DIRECTORS

A possible increase in the number of Maine Publicity Bureau directors from Oxford County is revealed in the nomination ballots sent out this week in preparation for the annual meeting of the Bureau in Portland, Jan. 16. At this meeting the membership will be asked to increase the number of directors to at least three from each county.

Members now are being asked to check off a suggested list of nominees, or to "write in" additional nominees.

Those suggested on the nomination ballots for Oxford County are: Roland H. Cobb of Denmark, present director whose term expires in January; Phillip F. Chadbourn, Bethel; Howard F. Gayton and Harry M. Shaw, South Paris; J. Walter Haslam and David A. Klein, Norway; N. G. Morrison and Henry J. Parent, Rumford; Brewster W. Page, Fryeburg; H. Frank Richardson, Canton; and Rand Stowell, Dixfield.

WEAR WHITE AT NIGHT FOR SAFETY'S SAKE

"Wear white at night when walking," is the advice to pedestrians given by the Traffic and Safety Division of the Maine State Police in pointing out that darkness multiplies hazards for those about in traffic.

"Many pedestrians just do not realize that drivers can not see them at night until dangerously close and that they are even more difficult to see when wearing all dark clothing," said Sgt. John deWinter, Director of the Traffic and Safety Division, Maine State Police.

Specific suggestions were made by Sgt. deWinter to pedestrians for increasing their visibility at night. Among them were to wear a large area of white clothing, carry white such as a handkerchief, carry reflector material or a flashlight.

"But, even with these devices, pedestrians are dangerously difficult for motorists to see at night. So those about at night must watch out for themselves," Sgt. deWinter concluded.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO BETHEL 4-H CLUB MEMBERS

All old members and anyone interested in belonging to the Bethel 4-H Club are asked to come to the Community Room at 7:30 p. m., Dec. 23. County Agent Bob MacLaughlin will be there and also your new leader.

G. A. ALUMNI SPONSORING DANCE NEXT THURSDAY

An informal holiday dance, restricted to former students of Gould Academy and escorts, will be held at William Bingham Gymnasium next Thursday evening, Dec. 29. Dancing will be from 8 to 12 with Lloyd Rafael providing the music. The dance orders will serve as tickets for admission with a coupon to exchange for free refreshments. It is hoped that this can be continued as an annual event, many alumni already having made plans to attend this first dance.

MRS. ISAAC W. DYER TO HEAD THE BETHEL PLAYERS

A real holiday spirit was in evidence at the December meeting of The Bethel Players at the Community Room on Monday evening.

The business was transacted with a minimum of debate and no dissent; the monthly one-act play, "His Blue Serge Suit," although not presented flawlessly, was well received by the small but highly appreciative audience; the refreshments were ample and of super-excellent quality, and the tryouts for the club's next play, "Village Green," produced especially gratifying results, enabling the director, Dale Thurston, to select the major portion of the cast within a few minutes of their conclusion.

Mrs. Isaac W. Dyer II was enthusiastically elected to head the organization as president for the coming year. Roland Glines, and Mrs. Richard Waldron were re-elected vice president and secretary respectively. Mrs. Harlan Hutchins was named treasurer, Wilbur Myers will continue as auditor along with Richmond Roderick as business manager.

The Board of Directors includes: Mrs. Isaac W. Dyer II, Roland Glines, Mrs. Harlan Hutchins, Richmond Roderick, Mrs. Katharine Adams, Mrs. Francis Noyes, Dale Thurston and John Howe. Mrs. Norman Grieg, Paul Hennessey and Mrs. John Howe will serve as the play reading committee and Charles Freeman was selected to direct stage construction activities.

Costumes and make-up details will be supervised by Mrs. Roland Glines, Charles Chapman is chairman of the music committee and Mrs. Charles Gorman will direct publicity during the coming year. The president is to plan and direct the entertainment program for the January meeting, the vice-president guaranteeing a suitable temperature for its enjoyment. Mrs. Philip Chadbourn will supervise the preparation and serving of the customary refreshments.

SUNSET REBEKAH LODGE TO OBSERVE ROLL CALL NIGHT

A Christmas party followed the regular meeting of Sunset Rebekah Lodge Monday evening. Committee members named for the dinner to be served to the Oxford County Postmasters Jan. 18 were: dinner, Mrs. Errol Donahue, Mrs. Ruth Dorlan, Mrs. Carl Brown and Mrs. Erwin Hutchinson; dining room and waitresses, Miss Beatrice Brown.

Following the meeting the members sang Christmas carols and exchanged gifts. Christmas poems were read by Mrs. Clayton Mills and Mrs. Loton Hutchinson, and refreshments were served by Mrs. Frank Hunt and Mrs. Erwin Hutchinson. Christmas boxes for shut-ins were decorated.

Roll call and obligation night will be observed at the next meeting. The entertainment will include a white elephant auction.

GORDON LATHROP TEACHING PRINTING IN FLA. SCHOOL

Gordon E. Lathrop, formerly of Bethel, recently has accepted a position at the Methodist Children's Home at Enterprise, Fla. The school has a modern print shop and publishes a bi-monthly paper. The Lathrop family live at Deland, 13 miles from Enterprise, where the oldest daughter, Jackie, is a pupil in high school. Three of the children are in junior high, two in grammar school, and two children have not yet entered school.

Mrs. Lathrop was formerly Miss Beulah Burris of West Bethel. While here Mr. Lathrop was employed in the Citizen office, going from here to Madison where he became publisher of the Bulletin. Since selling that newspaper two years ago they have lived in Deland.

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The Week in Bethel

The Bethel Library will close at five o'clock on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 24.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bowhay are holiday guests of relatives in Yonkers, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hastings will entertain a family group at their home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Clark of Guilford will visit relatives in town during the week end.

Mrs. Fern Jordan will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Merle Perry in Laconia, N. H.

James Browne, SM, USN, is enjoying a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Browne.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Woodcock of Middletown, Conn., are visiting her mother, Mrs. Flora Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory McIntyre of Camden have been guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nary.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wiley of Montreal are holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kimball Ames and family.

Frank Merrill remains critically ill at the home of his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Merrill.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Norwin Humphrey will spend Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Bailey at Lewiston.

Miss Peggy Champlain is spending the vacation with her mother, Mrs. Helen Champlain, at Belmont, Mass.

William Hall of Jackman is spending some time with his sister, Mrs. Winifred Bartlett, at Middle Intervale.

Mrs. Emily Clement of Mexico is spending some time with her daughter, Mrs. Addison Saunders, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Emmons and family of Orono are guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Browne during the holidays.

Stanley Brown escaped with a shoulder injury Wednesday morning when part of a truckload of boards fell on him.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bryant and son of Lewiston are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bryant and Mr. and Mrs. Millard Clough.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Lathrop and daughter, Jackie, will be Mr. and Mrs. Ward Kilgore, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lathrop and Daniel Stevens of Auburn.

Collections to date for Christmas Seals amount to \$255.26, including the East Bethel primary school. So far 220 have been heard from and 123 families have not yet made returns.

Mrs. Edna Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Tripp and two sons, with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carey and family of Woodstock will be guests Christmas day of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Chapman, Newry Corner.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Herzog and two children of Patuxent River, Md., are guests for 10 days of Mrs. Herzog's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Donahue, and family.

Errol Donahue, Jr., of Winthrop will be a week end guest at the Donahue home.

Alphonse Baker suffered a serious back injury Friday afternoon while working at the mill of Newton & Tobberts at West Bethel, when he was struck by a slab which flew back from a bolt saw.

He will return tonight from the Rumford hospital where he was taken by ambulance immediately after the accident.

Local students at home for the holidays include: Richard Ireland, Middlebury; Lee Carver, Yale; Scott Guernsey and Robert Foster, Bates; Barbara Keenan, Farmington; Carolyn Wright, American University; Irene Wright, Gorham; Theodore Emery, Boston University; Isabel Bennett, Russell Sage; Carl Wright, Jacqueline MacFarlane, Eugene Van, Robert Greenleaf, John Greenleaf, and Donald Lord, University of Maine.

The hopes of the Ski Club for another successful week end were dashed by the rain. However, this gave more time to find someone to run the food concession. Anyone interested should contact Murray Thurston or Kimball Ames. The two prices remain the same as last year.

The Middle Intervale Farm Bureau met last Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Leroy Brown. The following officers were elected: chairman, Mrs. Stanley Brown; vice chairman, Mrs. Wallace Saunders; clothing leader, Miss Rachel Brown; home management leader, Mrs. Roy Moore; assistant, Mrs. James Brown. The January meeting will be an area meeting at the Community Room.

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To All Our Friends a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

PARKER AND GRACE RUSSELL

CHARLES L. DAVIS

Charles L. Davis died Sunday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Maude Wormell, at Portland. His death occurred suddenly although his health had been failing since he suffered a fall several weeks ago.

He was born at Locke Mills Oct. 28, 1861, the son of Dr. and Mrs. D. W. Davis. He came to Bethel in 1879 and a few years later engaged in the freight transfer and coal business which he continued for some 35 years. For many years he was also a dealer in farm implements. He served the community as constable and deputy sheriff for a long period.

Mr. Davis married Miss Nellie Lucas, who passed away in 1935. Two children were born to them: Guy, who died in 1920, and Maude who married Robert Wormell of Portland.

Besides his daughter, with whom he has made his home since Mrs. Davis' death, he is survived by four grandchildren and several great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Greenleaf funeral home Wednesday afternoon, Rev. K. W. Hawthorne officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

MRS. JOHN S. BURBANK

Mrs. Lily Little Burbank, wife of John S. Burbank, retired carpenter, passed away Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 14 at about 5 o'clock. She had been ill for some time but the end came very suddenly, after a walk to the store during the afternoon.

Mrs. Burbank was born Jan. 12, 1873, in Barnstable, Mass., the daughter of Rev. James H. and Georgianna Harris Little. Rev. Little was a well-loved minister of the Universalist Church in Bethel, from 1902 to 1923.

Mrs. Burbank attended high schools in Pittsfield, Stowhegan, and Richmond, where her father held pastorate. She studied art in Boston schools. Scores of local former students in art will always remember her. She conducted classes in oils and water colors in South Paris and Bethel for nearly 40 years.

She was a real Christian woman who appreciated the finer things of life. Besides her painting she did excellent hand work and was deeply fond of music, sometimes playing the organ in her father's church.

She married John S. Burbank July 19, 1896. They lived in Winthrop, N. H., Canton and South Paris before coming to Bethel 40 years ago.

Besides her husband one cousin survives. Her burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery at Enfield, N. H.

P. C. DENES BOOST IN BETHEL WATER RATES

Although there was no objection to a proposed increase of rates for hydrant and meter service of the Bethel Water Company at a hearing held here Dec. 1, the Public Utilities Commission has denied the petition of the company. No increase was sought for household rates, but advances were asked for meter service and double the present rate for hydrants.

GOULD-LIVERMORE FALLS HOLD M. L. LEAD

Gould Academy finished its pre-holiday schedule with four league victories and a one point defeat at the hands of Gorham, N. H. The Huskies have been doing well offensively with 261 points for a game average of 52.2. Their defensive work is not as strong as in the past as opponents have scored 214 points for a 42.8 point average. The team played all five games minus the services of Captain Charlie Smith, whose presence after the holidays should strengthen the club.

Gould, however, has a tough month ahead of them in January when they meet South Paris at Norway during Christmas vacation and follow with Farmington, O'Donnell, Livermore Falls, Jay and Gorham, N. H., all away, before they again play at home.

WATCH FOR OPENING

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Gould Academy 4 0 1000

Livermore Falls 4 0 1000

South Paris 3 2 600

Farmington 3 2 600

Wilton Academy 2 2 600

Jay 2 5 400

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Norway 1 4 200

Bridgton 0 4 600

GOULD TAKES WILTON AND ALUMNI IN WEEK

GOULD 39—ALUMNI 37

Against one of the strongest Alumni teams gathered together in many years Gould Academy took an early lead in the second period and were never headed. The Huskies nearly threw away a 12 point lead by shooting too much instead of holding on to the ball. The loss of Hoby Lowell, who had held Davis to four points before he left the game in the third period, was a tough blow on the undergrads.

The former Gould stars had Hamilton bottled up in the first period but he couldn't be stopped from there on as he gathered eight baskets for 16 points for high man of the game. For the Alumni, Jerry Davis sank three baskets in the last period to total 11 for the game. Hiram Berry was a tower of strength for the losers and Cad Bennett was in the thick of the battle throughout the game.

Could took the ball game but the Alumni Association collected a neat gate receipt. It was one of the biggest and most enthusiastic crowds of the year. The Alumni band helped to make the evening a great success.

Gould (39)

Mason, lf 2 1 5

Polfe, lf 0 0 0

Hamilton, rf 8 0 18

Lowell, c 3 0 6

Paylor, c 1 0 2

Boyd, lg 1 3 5

Kendall, rg 2 1 5

Totals 17 5 29

Alumni (37)

Bennett, lf 4 0 8

Robertson, lf 0 0 0

Bryant, rf 0 1 1

Guernsey, rf 0 2 2

Marshall, rf 2 1 5

Davis, c 5 1 11

Hall, c 0 2 2

Berry, lg 2 1 5

Young, lg 0 0 0

Wright, rg 0 1 1

Dodge, rg 1 0 2

Totals 14 9 37

Gould 4 21 29 39

Alumni 4 10 17 37

Referee: Roderick and Scott.

GOULD 51—WILTON 25

Gould Academy advanced to a tie for first place in the Mountain League by beating Wilton Academy here to the tune of 51-25 last Friday evening. The Eagles were in the thick of the fight during the first half in which the Huskies led by only four points at the end of the first quarter and only three at the half as the score stood, 15-12.

In the last half the locals went on a scoring spree as they scored 20 points to three in the third period and then 16 to nine in the final half. With 29 points outscored the entire efforts of the visitors by four points. Mike Boyd played his best game of the year doing yeomanlike work off the boards.

In the preliminary game the Gould J. V.s handed the visitors their first defeat in five starts with a 39-25 count. Gene Brown and Frank Murphy showed well for the winners.

Gould (51)

Mason, lf 3 0 6

Polfe, lf 0 0 0

Hamilton, rf 12 5 29

Bennett, rf 0 0 0

Lowell, c 2 5 0

Paylor, c 0 0 0

Boyd, lg 0 0 0

Agness, lg 2 0 4

Kendall, rg 1 1 3

W. Bennett, rg 0 0 0

Totals 20 11 51

Wilton (25)

Wagner, lf 2 0 4

Camron, lf 2 1 5

Bennett, rf 2 3 7

Leach, rf 0 0 0

Collins, c 1 0 2

Toutbaker, c 0 0 0

Masterman, lg 3 0 6

O'Donnell, lg 0 0 0

Hurd, rg 0 0 0

Toughness, rg 0 1 1

Jepson, rg 0 0 0

Totals 10 5 25

Wilton 7 12 15 25

Gould 11 15 35 51

Referee: Brimington, Arnold.

BEANO GAME

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AHEAD
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President—Oxford County
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A RESOLUTION FOR 1950

If the next session of Congress is not the time to balance the national budget, then I do not know when the time will ever come. In fact, indications are that unless we can bring spending and taxes into line in 1950, we may never be able to get back our sanity in government about money matters. If we are unable to balance the budget in good times, just when shall we hope to? The time to balance is now!

Senator Byrd, that hard-working expert on problems of federal spending, says the budget can be balanced. But he says Congress has three possible choices to make this coming year. It's up to Congress, he says, to decide whether or not to balance. It can choose a tax hike of more than \$7 billion it can hold the spending budget to \$30 billion or it can allow more than \$7 billion of spending in excess of revenue, and add it to our huge national debt.

Primrose Trail

This latter course, the Senator so well says, would lead the nation "gaily along the economic primrose path of deficit financing." This is the route that so many of our people have become accustomed to, yet it is the path that might well lead to economic ruin. That so few citizens are aware of these dangers is a fact hard to understand. That so few of those who understand are doing anything about it is even more amazing.

President Truman apparently has chosen the first course. He wants to keep government spending at a high level. He reasons that this can be done by loading business and industry with heavy tax burdens. (These taxes cost you money, no matter whether your income is high or low!) The President has shown some willingness to avoid deficit spending next year, after latter expenditures run \$3 1/2 billion over income this year. But he says he can't do it without more taxes.

It Is Your Problem

Even Budget Director Pace has said that a tax raise will be needed to balance the budget. He has also promised that the budget to be presented in January by President Truman will not be more than \$45 billion! Revenue under present laws is only \$38 billion. This leaves \$7 billion needed to balance that kind of spending. That kind of money doesn't grow on trees in Arkansas (Arkansas could use the part of that we'd have to pay, right here in the state!)

But where would this \$7 billion come from? It is obvious that spending is just another way of paying the word taxes. Just like it would be in your own personal affairs, spending more than you've got calls for more income—or else bankruptcy. But the nation is yours, too. That's a lesson that every American must learn, before it is too late. More government spending means less take-home pay, higher living costs, and greater risk of depression.

How to Get a Surplus

But that \$7 billion need not come from anywhere! Senator Byrd proposes that 47 1/2 percent of the present rate of spending. This would bring the budget for next fiscal year down to \$36 billion. Even this, he says, is \$2 billion more than the President's own budget for 1950. And with present tax laws, a \$36 billion budget would provide a \$2 billion surplus that could be applied to our dangerously big national debt! Now is the time to balance the budget, not add to it. Yet we are going along, spending more than we did in the first year after this war. All this is in peacetime when business is good and employment high. If we cannot balance the budget when the economy is so high, just when can it be balanced? When the government insists on

DALE CARNEGIE

★ AUTHOR OF "HOW TO STOP WORRYING AND START LIVING" ★

Be Different

WHEN LARRY ADLER was a boy in Baltimore he loved to push air through a harmonica. No one else in his family played one, but Larry played until he almost drove his family into the snake pit.

In 1927 he read in a Baltimore newspaper that the paper would sponsor a harmonica contest. Larry's eyes grew as big as flying saucers.

He had been selling magazine subscriptions, so he took three dollars of his savings and bought himself a new mouth-organ. It would do tricks that his old one couldn't manage.

Now he began practicing against the day of the contest; his family suffered; so did the neighbors.

At last the Big Night! Practically all of Baltimore was present! The judges were impressive, one being the music critic of the paper, another the head of the Peabody Music Institute, which was the last word—the very last word—in music in Baltimore. The third was the conductor of the Baltimore Symphony orchestra. The Matthechorns of music.

The other contestants poured in, 23 in all, loaded, cocked and primed. Depressing! Some of them played exceedingly well, as well as Larry—maybe better—and Larry got lower and lower in his mind.

Larry noticed that all of them played jazz. For that matter, jazz was all Larry had planned in his repertoire. He said to himself, "I'm going to be different. At least, that will attract attention."

The only classical piece he could remember was Beethoven's Minuet in G. He had only his memory to depend upon, and his memory was as full of holes as a Swiss cheese. But he tore into it, did the best he could. Not very hopefully, for he knew he was bad, but he also knew he was doing something different. After all, there was a sameness to the selection of the other contestants, no one outstanding, no one too easy to recall.

When the judges returned from deliberation, they announced Larry was the winner. He was the only one who played a classical selection, and he was the only outstanding contestant.

THIS WEEK IN Washington

INDICATIONS are that the food and agricultural organization of the United Nations will turn down the presidential and congressional offers of a headquarters in this country. Apparently there is some leading opinion within the organization to occupy some vacant and elaborate buildings in Italy.

President Truman in his address before the organization said work of FAO fitted in with the objectives of his administration and "the whole broad effort to raise living standards and achieve greater freedom for all mankind." He said the work of FAO also was in line with the objectives of our own department of agriculture to increase production of food stuffs and other farm commodities and to see that those commodities reach those who need them.

Important to the coming session of the first congress convening in January is the trip of Oscar Ewing, federal security administrator, to various European countries to learn first-hand how social security programs are working in these countries which have them. Ewing announced he would study the working of national health insurance in Great Britain.

In the meantime, the American Medical Association is planning a new campaign to defeat federal health insurance and asserts that universal health insurance is not needed because private insurance companies can do the job. Before leaving for Europe, Ewing answered this argument by declaring that only 60 per cent of group insurance premiums and only 20 per cent of individual premiums go for benefits to the insured.

Of course there is a mountain of conjecture over the resignation of David E. Lilienthal as chairman of the atomic energy commission. It seems assured that the President will not make a permanent appointment in recess but will wait until congress convenes before naming Lilienthal's successor. There is some conjecture that, since Lilienthal gave as one of his chief reasons for resigning that he could engage in public discussions and take part in public affairs with more freedom, he might return to Wisconsin and run for the senate against Sen. Alexander Wiley who is up for reelection in

1950. It will be remembered that, although Lilienthal is not a native of Wisconsin, he started his law practice and his public service in that state as a member of the Wisconsin public service commission, where he was serving when President Roosevelt named him to the TVA board in 1933.

Economists are concerned over the rapid fire rise in consumer credit debts since controls were removed several months ago. Latest figures indicate that before year's end the consumer credit debt likely will top the 17 billion-dollar mark of which more than 10 billion is owed on installment purchases. And the average carrying charges on installment purchases reaches up to about 22 per cent a year. This 10 billion dollar installment loan figure is nearly twice the pre-war total. Although some of the leading economists say the country can stand another three or four billion dollars in consumer credit before the danger point is reached, members of the federal reserve board, including Marriner Eccles, are concerned over what stands at the end of the credit picture.

Add to the 17-billion-dollar debt picture another 10 billion which is owed to the banks and construction firms for construction of houses and buildings, not much of which was for cash. Sen. John C. Sparkman of Alabama, chairman of a subcommittee on the economic report, who recently released figures showing that nearly a third of the nation's families, some 10 million were earning less than \$2,000 annually, says the next congress must do something about raising the national income. He says the annual income must reach the 300-billion-dollar mark as envisioned by President Truman and that to reach this figure, some congressional action is required now. He says his committee hopes to agree, on some program to up the income of these 10 million in the lowest income bracket.

The United States chamber of commerce is urging public action to make effective the recommendations of the commission named by President Truman and headed by Herbert Hoover for streamlining the executive departments of the federal government to eliminate waste and overlapping functions.

And admit we are in a mess, I reckon we can take their word for it—they got us into it.

A dozen years is long enough to be in any kind of a dilemma. It is time to do some psycho-analyzing. Time to find out if we been slickered some place along the line. And you know, I been deducting pro and con and she looks as if the nation has been living, right along, under some sort of oratorical novocain—just going along with the leaders and not too sure or caring too much where we are coming out.

I come up with this answer from observing the route chosen by this British—a big Govt. running ev-



U.S.A. UNDER THE ASIATICS

IT MIGHT BE "amusing" to picture our country in the event our high-voiced Pinks and our low-browed Reds manage to drag us down under the yoke of the Mongol-Slav combination which already rules half the world.

If all precedent were followed, those with a bank account who were unable to escape to some other clime would be automatically and instantly eliminated. Liquidation of the clergy would take more time. President Truman, his cabinet, Governor Dewey, Senator-elect Lehman and all other politicians would stand fake trials.

The stage now being set, the Russian agents would move in en masse. Foster and the American Commies would be accused of devolutionism, nationalism, tilism; and like Rajk in Hungary and very soon now—Kostov in Bulgaria, they would hang.

Under communism, anyone who owns anything of value to the party members is a capitalist. A few acres and a cow, a filling station, a small tobacco shop or grocery—these must be parcelled out to the faithful. (See current illustration of the thousands upon thousands of small businessmen, shopkeepers and farmers are either being killed or driven into the slave-labor camps.)

There would be no war for awhile with all the world under one tyrannical ruler, but before many years human nature would assert itself and revolution would break loose all over the world. Before the tyrants were destroyed, the devastation they would create would beggar description. These Asiatics would think no more of "atomizing" New York, London, Paris, Chicago, etc., than they would of stepping on an ant.

Well, these muggers are waiting just around the corner, and we softies are letting ourselves be pushed down the street and are allowing many of our school children to be led by subversive teachers toward that fatal corner, partly because we won't demand of our courts the true interpretation of laws about free speech.

everything—and the paper today says that Mr. Cripps, the boss-man over there, tells his brethren they "must produce more and use less or go hungry and jobless." And here in this land of ours, as we see these goings-on in Gt. Britain—we doze on—and don't catch-on that we are headed likely-aplit into the very same kind of across-the-pond Big Govt. shenanigans which, over there, are now being followed by a petered-out Utopia.

Yours with the low down,
JO SERIFA

MAINE POTATOES GO TO TEXAS

Maine potatoes have invaded the Lone Star State. One of Maine's largest spud shippers has just sent its first carload of tablestock potatoes in the last three or four years to Texas. With the potatoes have gone 500 copies of Maine Extension Service Bulletin 285, "Good Recipes for Maine Potatoes." They will be distributed and displayed in the 50 stores in the Texas chain

Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL

- 1 Porcine
- 2 To forsake
- 3 Enemy
- 12 King of Israel
- 13 State
- 14 To append
- 15 To read
- 17 Negative
- 18 Youth
- 19 Seasoning
- 21 To revive
- 23 Slayer of Hector
- 27 Toward
- 28 Pear-shaped fruit
- 29 Article
- 30 Ocean
- 31 Saucer
- 32 Conjunction
- 33 Prefix: down
- 38 To acquire
- 41 Flightless bird
- 42 German painter
- 43 Sloth
- 44 Speaking
- 45 Deceptive
- 51 Rings forth (dial.)
- 52 Cloth measure
- 53 Colloquial father
- 55 Firm
- 59 Prefix: new
- 60 Means of egress
- 62 Mother of Zeus
- 63 Moisture
- 64 Weird
- 65 Quick jerk

VERTICAL

- 1 To weaken
- 2 Article
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ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLES

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- 5 OLEO
- 6 ADEN
- 7 CONTRA
- 8 TRACT
- 9 LEAD
- 10 DOOR
- 11 TOTALS
- 12 ADORN
- 13 DEMI
- 14 VALE
- 15 DIRECTED
- 16 SEVEN
- 17 ORA
- 18 REMED
- 19 DENT
- 20 TRAOR
- 21 GRAVES
- 22 SHAH
- 23 LEVI
- 24 INTIMATE
- 25 ENID
- 26 TAIN
- 27 WOO
- 28 WADE
- 29 KYLE
- 30 KERN

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- 2 In a state of great excitement
- 3 Exclamation of incredulity
- 4 To observe
- 5 Eager
- 6 Paradise
- 7 Great mass of ice
- 8 Twentieth of a franc
- 9 Room for infants
- 10 Substance used for candles
- 11 Japanese measure
- 12 Exists
- 13 Savory
- 14 To perry
- 15 To the sheltered side

Don't Let Santa Be A Fireman

Keep Christmas merry by preventing fire in your home.

Follow these safety rules:

1. Never use candles to decorate Christmas trees. Use electric lights.
2. See that lighting sets and cords are in good condition. Look for U.L. label on lighting sets.
3. Never use cotton or other flammable decorations on or around the tree.
4. Place tree in coolest part of room; never near fireplaces or radiators.

Remember

- Christmas trees are flammable!

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which bought the Maine potatoes.

Free copies of the bulletin may be obtained from county home dem-

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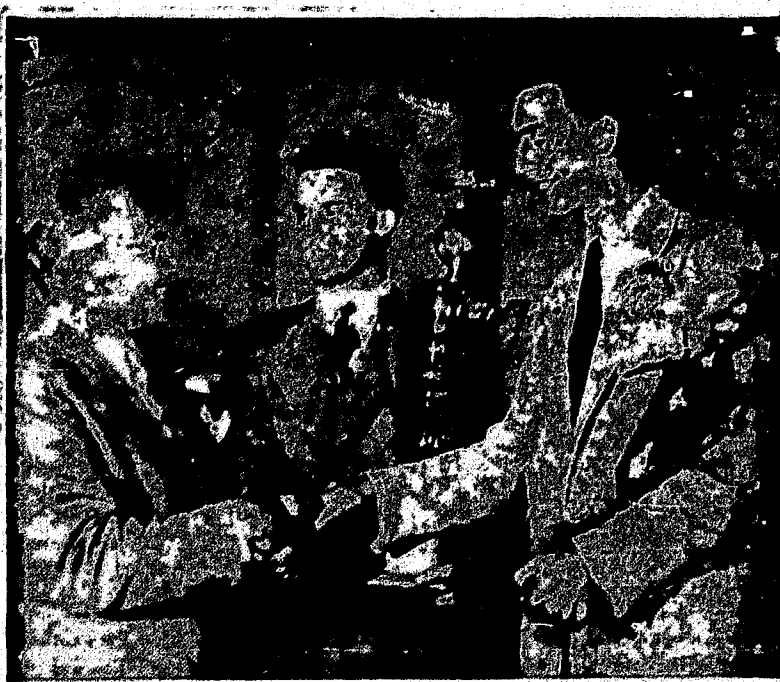
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Two contestants from Maine brought home trophies from Plymouth Motor Corp.'s Third International Model Plane contest at Detroit. They competed against 535 of the world's leading model flyers who were invited to the meet because of their outstanding records. Above, H. E. Heberling, left, assistant general sales manager of Plymouth, congratulates Howard E. Smith, 24, of Augusta, center, and Richard R. Smith, 19, of Bangor.

SUCCESSFUL PARENTHOOD

By
Mrs. CATHERINE
CONRAD
EDWARDS
Associate Editor,
Parents' Magazine

A SMALL CHILD'S RELIGIOUS education is a day by day absorption of his parents' reverence for the good and the beautiful in life. Prayers and going to Sunday school and listening to Bible stories are, of course, a part of this. But the deepest influence, in these years before your child can grasp the idea of God, is your own belief in a loving creator. This is reflected in your everyday helpfulness and kindness, in your spirit of fellowship with all the people your child encounters, in your protective attitude toward animals and all growing things. Given this sense of reverence, which is a combination of wonder and gratefulness, your child will be ready to believe when he is older. What he believes isn't the beginning step; first he must acquire a capacity for belief.

The next step—guiding a child's faith into what you yourself believe, which is your privilege and your duty, even if later he chooses a different form of worship—is best accomplished in the beginning through story, art and music. Bowing the head, or making a cross, or covering the head can be taught as manners are taught—but they have less meaning for a child than that Mary loved her baby dearly, or that David, with God's help, could face up to a giant.

The blaring of Christmas carols from street corners has almost destroyed this special form of family worship. But try to hold on to it, at least for the youngest children whom you can to a degree protect from street music and too much radio. And reading from the psalms or the story of the Nativity

as Luke so beautifully recorded it, brings joy even to the three-year-old. We don't have to know why these words gladden childish hearts—just let them work their spell of mystery and miracle.

For that is what the Christmas observance is designed to pre-serve; that is the meaning of the catch in the throat which even the most blasé moderns experience—that the mystery of our existence may, after all, despite threats of atomic warfare, be a vast, scarcely tapped reservoir of love, of which the Christ and other great religious prophets gave man a glimpse.

As a Christmas message, I should like to quote from an editorial written by the Reverend Howard Thurman, minister of the San Francisco church. It is called, "I Will Light Three Candles"—the candles of joy of fellowship and of hope. We quote from the first, for little children respond to joy by their very natures:

"Joy may not result from a single fact or a particular series of events but, rather, it is often a climate within which the experiences of life find their setting. There is much in the lives of those around us, there is much in our own lives, and there is much in the terrible facts of our world which threatens the joyful mood, the singing spirit. This I do not deny. But I still believe that wherever there is life, there is the raw material of joy. So even as I look unhappy details squarely in the face, I shall light the candle of joy in my heart this Christmas, a candle that must burn all the year long."

NEWRY

The Branch School had their Christmas tree and entertainment at the Church Friday night. School is closed for two weeks.

Mrs. George Learned and children Mrs. Henry Learned and Elsie Enman were in Rumford Christmas shopping Tuesday.

William Hall is home from Boston University for two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Powers are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Earle Lane is working with Bob Morton on the road.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Learned and Mr. and Mrs. George Learned and family are planning to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Thurston Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ferrin called Wednesday evening at Henry Learned's.

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Mrs. C. James Knights—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Coffin were at Hebron Sunday to attend the funeral of a relative.

Mrs. Elsworth Lawrence visited Sunday with her parents.

Mrs. Clinton Buck, Mrs. Sherwood Buck and Mrs. Kenneth Buck attended the marriage of Jerry Brown at Auburn, Sunday afternoon.

Garrence Smith is critically ill and is at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Herman Cole.

Richard Cole and Irving Cushman, V of M students are spending their vacation with their parents.

Mrs. C. James Knights was at Rumford one afternoon last week. Gary and Jeffrey Yates visited over the week end with their aunt and aunt. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hayes.

Mrs. Lora Billings was at Lewis-

ton, Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Billings and children, Mrs. Edgar Davis and children were at Norway Monday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Whitman were at Norway, Monday. Richard Cole and mother, Ellen Ellis and Christine Knights were at Rumford, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stevens were at Auburn recently to attend the funeral of her son, John Hunt.

Mrs. Florence Holden, Correspondent.

Mrs. Elaine Carroll and brother Roger left Saturday for New York City where they will spend the holidays with their sister, Mrs. Dorothy Hoffman.

Joseph Martel, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Martel, who has been very ill with pneumonia, has gone to the St. Louis Hospital, Berlin, N. H.

Raymond Holden, who has had employment at South Paris, has completed his duties there and returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Ruth Howard has returned to her home in Portland.

Irving Leighton and Leo Witter of Portsmouth, N. H., spent the week end at their homes here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Judkins and family of Orono are guests of her sister, Mrs. Harriette Flatt.

Mrs. Florence Holden was a guest of Mrs. Marian Wheeler at South Paris Saturday.

Mrs. Pauline LaMonte and Mrs. Irene Morse returned to their home in Plymouth N. H. Tuesday.

Clayton Bryant and Raymond Holden will be dinner guests Christmas day of their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Richard-

son, Stone Farm, Sheboygan, N. H.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. F. Ernest Smith, Pastor

A Great City was Troubled at the News of His Birth will be the theme at the morning service in the Methodist Church next Sunday.

The Sunday School will be at 9:45 and Morning Worship at 11 a. m. The Youth Fellowship at 6:30.

The Sunday School will celebrate Christmas with exercises and a Christmas tree this Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

The Youth Fellowship will have a Christmas Party at the Church Friday evening to be followed by caroling.

Greetings from the Pastor of the Methodist Church

The birth of Jesus was very real to Mary and Joseph. They knew he was born to be the Saviour of the world; that it would involve great suffering in which they must share and yet they rejoiced at His birth. May he be as real to us as to them and our part in his mission as clear.

Accepting Him as our personal Saviour and friend, and sharing in His work will bring us, not only joy and gladness at Christmas but peace and guidance through the coming year.

"Joy to the world! The Lord is come!"

Let earth receive her King," E. Ernest Smith

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. K. W. Hawthorne, Minister

The Junior Church School will meet Sunday at 10 o'clock in the Church sanctuary.

The annual Christmas Eve Supper, sponsored by the men of the parish, will be held Saturday evening at 6:30 in the vestry.

A party for the children of the Church School will be held on Christmas Eve at 7:30 in the Church. A Christmas story, "When The Littlest Camel Kneled," will be shown. Christmas Carols will be sung and Santa Claus will visit.

During the program, an offering toward the Christian World Mission of the Church is to be taken. The Junior Choir will rehearse Sunday morning at 10:15 in the Church.

The Pastor's sermon topic for Sunday morning is "Christmas Carnival."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

The Lesson-Sermon used in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, is available to everyone who desires to study it.

Golden Text: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men" (Luke 2:14).

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By REV. ROBERT E. HARPER

God's Message

Lesson for December 25: Isaiah 9:1-5

Memory Selection: Luke 2:14

FROM ANTIQUITY light has been a symbol of life. The sun is a life-giver in the material world. So Jesus, who came to reveal God to men, is light and life in the world of spirit. Isaiah likened his coming to the kindly glow of a great light.

The lesson leads us to think of the names the Saviour bears. Wonderful, Counsellor, and Prince of Peace belong to his humanity. Mighty God and Everlasting Father belong to him as God and are appropriate to his reign as the King of Kings. In the name, Lord Jesus Christ, Jesus, meaning Saviour, is his given name. Christ, denoting the Anointed One, is his title. Lord refers to his kingship in the hearts of men.

He who came of the stock of David is also the Son of God and his reign brings justice and righteousness, equity to the meek, and destruction to the wicked. Well may we join in the song of the angels: "Glory be to God in the highest, and on earth peace."

"Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end." The ages have seen a large measure of the fulfillment of the prophecy concerning the increase of peace. The world has been made better. The increase of peace must depend upon the men of faith and goodwill.

Christianity is the only and sufficient answer to the wars of the world. When it has been completely tried there will be a warless world.

ANSWERS

1. (c) Jerusalem, Christianity, Judaism, Mohammedanism.

2. (a) Kentucky, admitted in 1792.

3. (b) The pig, (c) the elephant.

4. (a) beer, (b) applejack, (c) moonshine, (d) kickapoo joy juice.

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your brain budget

1. What city is the principal holy city of three religions? (a) Bagdad, (b) Damascus, (c) Jerusalem, (d) Istanbul.
2. The first state west of the Appalachian mountains to be admitted to the Union was (a) Kentucky, (b) Tennessee, (c) Ohio, (d) Illinois.
3. Of the following, the one most related to the hippopotamus is (a) the tapir, (b) the pig, (c) the elephant.
4. The alcoholic drink sometimes called "Jersey Lightning" is (a) beer, (b) applejack, (c) moonshine, (d) kickapoo joy juice.
5. What state has been the birthplace of the greatest number of presidents? (a) Ohio, (b) Illinois, (c) Virginia, (d) Rhode Island.

ANSWERS
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EAST BETHEL

Mrs. Bernice Noyes, Correspondent

Londall Noyes came home Friday from the University of Maine for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. William Howe and son Michel of West Springfield, Mass., were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Howe and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Granville Burns and daughter Jean of Norway were guests Saturday of Mrs. S. B. Newton.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Brooks and Earl Brooks were called to Mechanic Falls Thursday by the death of Mrs. Dalphon Brooks.

Miss Marilyn Noyes came home Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Hastings and

family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bickford at Lisbon Falls.

Miss Virginia Hastings came home Saturday from Bates College for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Falkenham of Andover were callers at S. B. Newton's Thursday.

There were four tables at play at the card party Saturday evening. First prizes went to Burton Abbott and Jeanne Newton, and consolation prizes to Gene Burns and Sandra Olson.

The telephone line has been extended to include Bloody Street (Locke Mills road) and service began last Friday.

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IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Mervin Buck of Rumbold Point will spend the week end with his parents, Mr and Mrs Ernest Buck. Mr and Mrs Charles Hamlin and son Richard will be holiday guests of Mr and Mrs Homer H Hamlin at Gorham, N. H.

Mr and Mrs Charles Austin of Portland and Maynard Austin of Houlton will be holiday guests of Mrs H P Austin.

Mr and Mrs Sidney Howe and family of Old Town will spend the holidays with his parents, Mr and Mrs Sidney Howe.

Mrs Mary Myers left today to spend the winter with Mr and Mrs Charles Kennedy and family at Wilmington, Del.

Mr and Mrs Avery Angevine and family will be Sunday guests of her parents, Mr and Mrs Lewis Olson, Wilson's Mills.

Mr and Mrs Earlyn Wheeler and two children of Rockport will spend the week end with his parents, Mr and Mrs Fred Wheeler.

David Foster, ALAN, USN, of Quonset Point, R. I., will spend the holidays with his parents Mr and Mrs Roger Foster.

Raymond York, USN, from the Great Lakes Training Center will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr and Mrs Robert York.

Mrs Martha Scott and Miss Barbara Cushman will entertain a large family party Sunday at their home on Mechanic Street.

Mr and Mrs Edgar Coolidge and family of Quincy Mass., will spend the week end with his parents, Mr and Mrs Wallace Coolidge.

Mr and Mrs Reginald Roberts and family of Saugus, Mass., will be Christmas guests of her parents, Mr and Mrs Frank A Hunt.

Mr and Mrs Clayton Fossett and son Paul will spend the week end with her parents, Mr and Mrs Nathan French, at Milan, N. H.

Mr and Mrs Richard Waldron and two daughters will be Christmas day guests of her mother, Mrs Frank Patterson, at Rumbold.

Mr and Mrs Philip Chadbourne and family will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr and Mrs Amos Saunders, Clinton, Mass.

Mr and Mrs Lewis Cole and daughter Barbara and Mrs Everett Bean and daughter Connie are visiting relatives in Ludlow, VT.

Miss Arlene Brown of Haverhill, Mass., and Blake MacKay of Boston will be week end guests of Mr and Mrs Leroy Brown and family.

Mr and Mrs Raymond Holt and family of Wilton will spend the Christmas week end with her parents, Mr and Mrs Henry Boyker.

Mr and Mrs Dana Brooks and son Jack will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr and Mrs John Lane, at North Brookfield, Mass.

STATE POLICE URGE THAT PEDESTRIANS USE CAUTION

"December is the high mark for pedestrian accidents and most of the month's pedestrian fatalities occur during the hours of darkness," Colonel Francis J McCabe, Chief, Maine State Police, announced this week.

"Perhaps these shocking figures will move pedestrians of our state to take proper precautions after dark," said Colonel McCabe.

"The pedestrian frequently has a false feeling of security in assuming that a driver can see him when he can see the vehicle headlights. Actually, the pedestrian sees the car lights long before the driver sees him. By the time the driver sees the pedestrian it may be too late to stop," warns the State Police Chief.

"This increases the pedestrian's responsibility for protecting himself at night. He must be certain to look in all directions before crossing the street and be sure that any approaching automobile is at a safe distance and travelling at a reasonable speed. If the vehicle is less than a block distant, wait until the vehicle passes," Colonel McCabe urges.

KEEP YULE TREES IN WATER ADVISES FORESTER

Although most Maine families have freshly cut Christmas trees in their homes, it's best to keep them standing in water, says Lewis P Bissell, Extension Service forestry specialist at the University of Maine. First, get a Christmas tree that has been cut as recently as possible or cut your own. Then, cut off the end of the trunk diagonally at least one inch above the original cut end. Stand the tree at once in a container of water

and keep the water level above the cut surface during the entire time that the tree is in the house. That way your tree will be relatively safe from fire and the needles will stay on longer.

WOODSTOCK STOPS GOULD J.V.'s WITH 39-30 COUNT

Coach Bowhay's J. V's played good ball Tuesday to hold a veteran Woodstock varsity to 39-30 verdict. Hathaway with 16 points and Mills with 11 were the big guns for the winning Bryant Pond five. Douglas, Durham, and Murphy with 8, 7 and 7 led the Gould underdogs. Other scorers for the J.V.s were Bean 4, Brown 2, and Jordan 2. Green 1, Berryment 7, and House 4, completed the Woodstock scoring.

Woodstock 0 16 25 30
Gould J.V.s 8 13 10 50
Referee - Webber.

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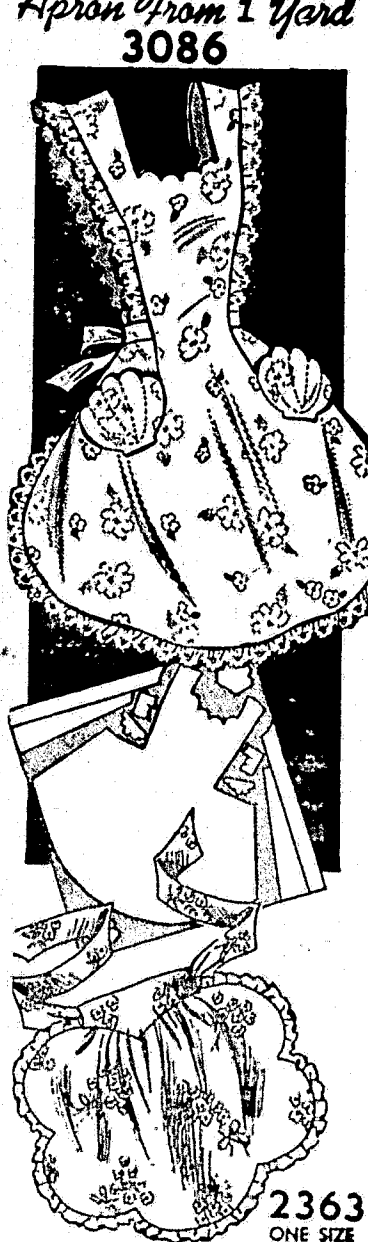
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This Week's Patterns

AUDREY LANE

Apron from 1 Yard

3086



2363
ONE SIZE

No. 3086 is cut in one size and requires 1 yd. of 35-in. fabric.

No. 2363 is cut in one size and requires 3/4 yd. of 35-in. fabric.

Send 25c for EACH pattern with name, address, style number and size to: AUDREY LANE BUREAU, Box 229, Madison Square Station, New York, N. Y. The Fall-Winter Fashion Book shows 100 other styles 25c extra.

JANUARY DESIGNATED AS "KNOW MAINE MONTH"

Frederick G Payne has designated January as "Know Maine Month" and urged schools, civic groups, state departments, social organizations and business establishments to cooperate in programs to provide factual information about the state.

Basic fact sheets and suggested projects in furtherance of the "Know Maine Month" are being prepared by the Maine Publicity Bureau in Portland, and may be obtained from that source, Payne said.

"Know Maine Month" is one of the vital factors in our all-out plan to Boost Maine, its products and services.

"The Boost Maine campaign has three basic objectives for 1950," Payne said.

The Governor outlined these objectives as promoting a better knowledge of the state's great resources, products and attractions; fostering a spirit of loyalty to the State and a sense of pride in all that the Pine Tree State produces and offers; and encouraging higher standards of service, courtesy and skill in development and promotion of Maine's economic welfare.

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SEASON'S BEST



A truly Merry Christmas to our good friends and neighbors.

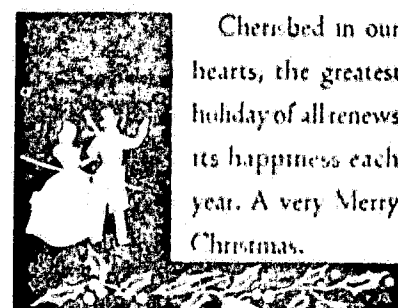
"Mush" McMillin



Let's do it up right this year and join our efforts to give each other the finest holiday season ever.

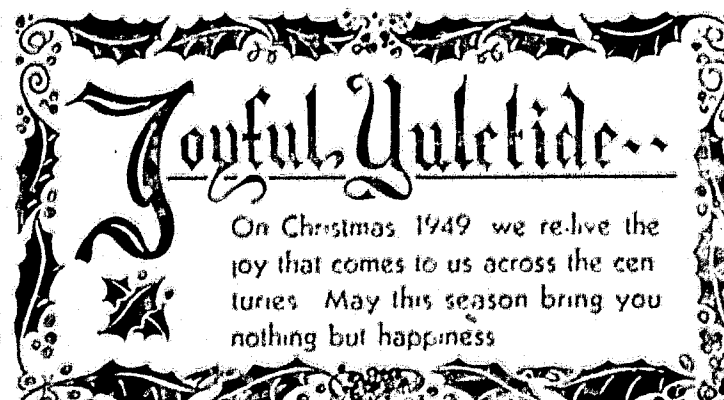
Brown's Garage

Top Hat Pavilion



Cherished in our hearts, the greatest holiday of all renews its happiness each year. A very Merry Christmas.

Crockett's Garage



On Christmas 1949 we re-live the joy that comes to us across the centuries. May this season bring you nothing but happiness



Gallant's Service Station

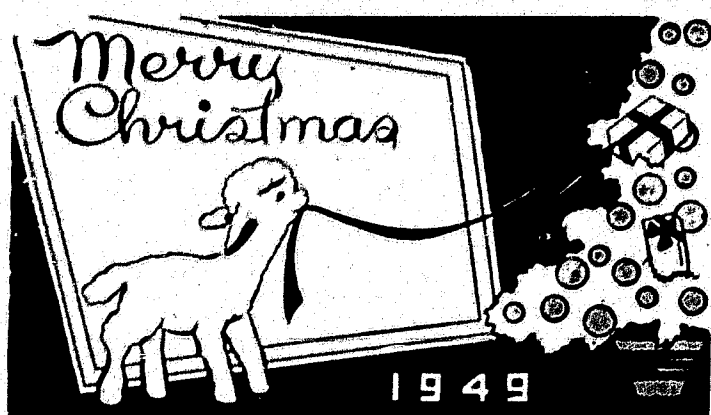
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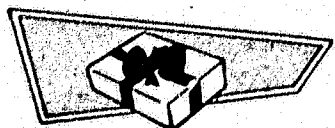
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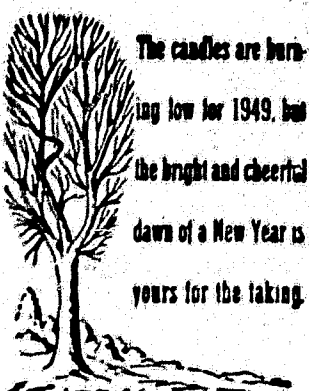
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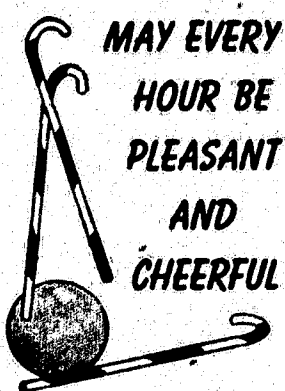
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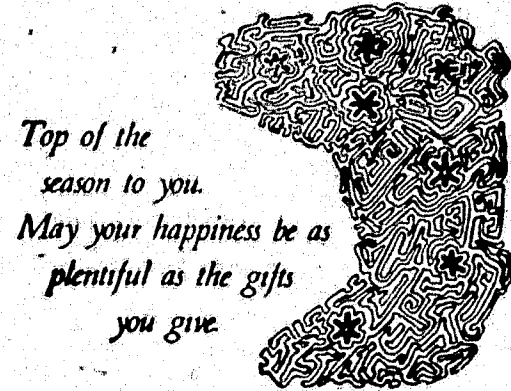
Tim's Body Shop



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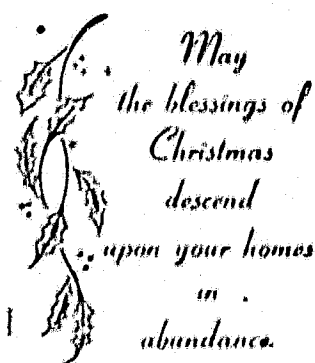


Sylvia's Beauty Shop



Charles E. Merrill
RETAIL BUILDING SUPPLIES

Merry Christmas



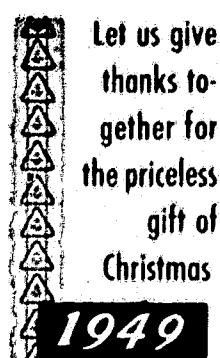
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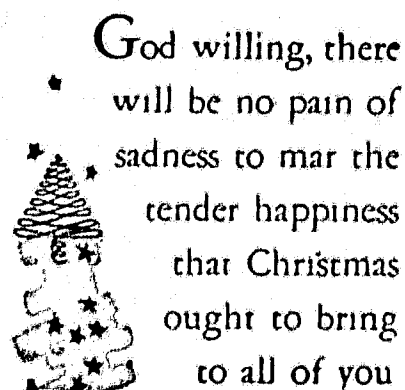
Youth and old
age will be served
with a Merry
Christmas
this year



Van Tel. & Tel. Co.



Bethel Red & White
STUART F. MARTIN



Brown's Variety Store

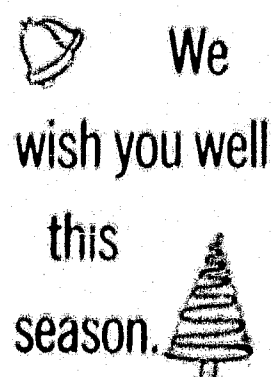
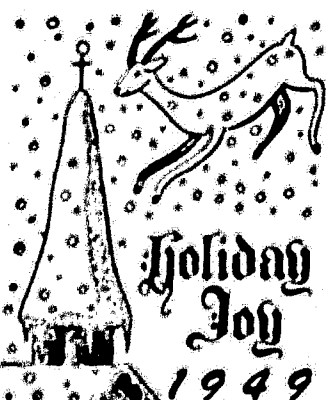


May all the wonderful things
that go with Christmas be
yours in the fullest abundance
this year.

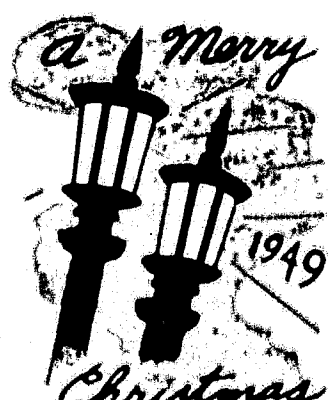


From all of us
here to all of you—a
most happy holiday.

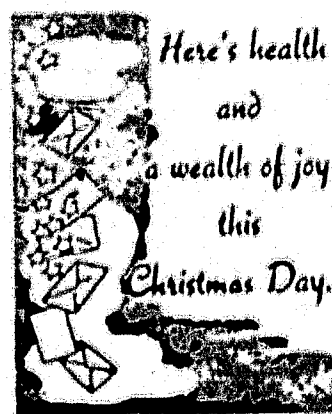
D. Grover Brooks



THE DRESS SHOP



Gilbert's Beauty Salon

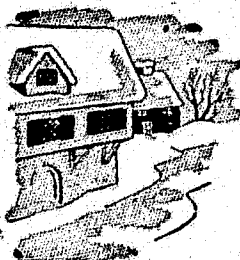


THE DICK YOUNG SERVICE STATION
Leased and Operated by
PETE CHAPIN



HAPPY HOLIDAY

to all of you.
May no cloud
appear to disturb
its serenity.



**BEST WISHES
1949**

Bethel Restaurant

MARY BISHOP, Proprietor



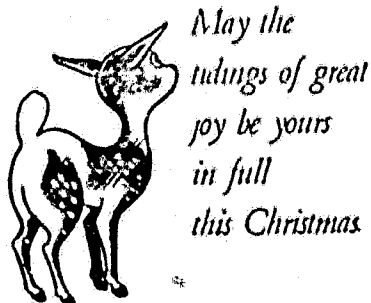
OUR WARM AND SINCEREST GREETINGS GO OUT TO YOU AT THIS HAPPIEST SEASON OF THE YEAR.

Don Brown Studio



The very fact that Christmas is with us again ought to bring joy enough, but we want to gild the lily by wishing everyone a wonderful holiday.

Cotton's



May the tidings of great joy be yours in full this Christmas

Gould Academy

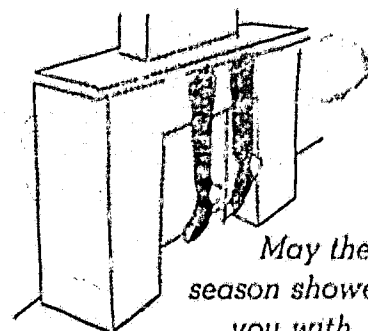
ELWOOD F. IRELAND, Headmaster

Greetings
1949



OUR SINCEREST WISHES FOR A BRIGHT AND MERRY CHRISTMAS GO OUT TO ALL OF YOU.

Bryant's Market

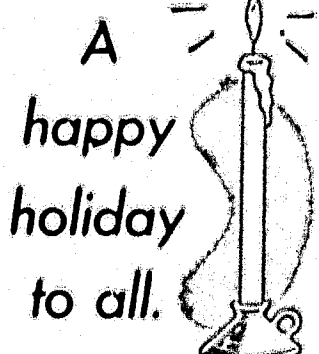


May the season shower you with excellent gifts of gladness.

Ruth Carver Ames

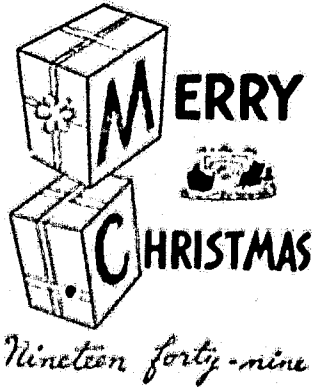


Bennett's Garage, Inc.

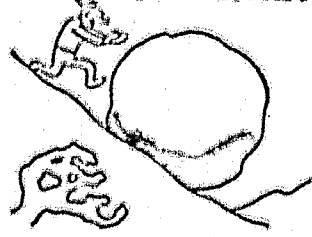


A happy holiday to all.

McInnis Cobbler Shop



TO YOU AND YOUR WHOLE FAMILY OUR BEST WISHES.



The Specialty Shop



May the stars in the heavens shine as never before on your Christmas happiness this year.

Bucky's

